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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the description of the great seal of the
2 state of Iowa.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 1A.1, Code 2009, is amended to read as
2 follows:

3 **1A.1 Seal — device — motto.**

4 The secretary of state be, and is, hereby authorized to
5 procure a seal which shall be the great seal of the state of
6 Iowa, two inches in diameter, upon which shall be engraved the
7 following device, surrounded by the words, "*The Great Seal of*
8 *the State of Iowa*" — a sheaf and field of standing wheat, with
9 a sickle and other farming utensils, on the left side near the
10 bottom; a lead furnace and pile of pig lead on the right side;
11 the citizen soldier, with standing in front of a plow in his
12 ~~rear~~, supporting the American flag and liberty cap with his
13 right hand, and his gun with his left, in the center and near
14 the bottom; the Mississippi river in the rear of the whole,
15 with the steamer *Iowa* under way; an eagle near the upper edge,
16 holding in his beak a scroll, with the following inscription
17 upon it: Our liberties we prize, and our rights we will
18 maintain.

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EXPLANATION

20 This bill corrects a malapropism in the legal description of
21 the great seal of the state of Iowa. The bill describes the
22 citizen soldier as standing in front of a plow.